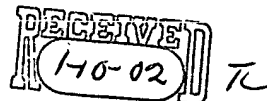**In the claims:**

Presented below are the claims, as amended, with changes entered and not marked.

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1.   (Amended) A computerized method comprising:

accessing a user-definable preferences list that identifies a plurality of channels from a plurality of different sources, each source providing at least one channel using a different transport medium from another source; and

selecting one of the plurality of identified channels for provision to a user.

2.   (Unchanged) The computerized method of claim 1, further comprising:

providing, to the user, one or more of audio and video from a source corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels.

3.   (Unchanged) The computerized method of claim 1, further comprising:

accessing, to determine a component corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels, a programming guide database that is independent of the user-definable preferences list; and

sending a signal to the component to provide the selected channel.

4.   (Unchanged) The computerized method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a user request to provide a new channel; and

wherein the accessing and the selecting are performed in response to the user request.

5.   (Unchanged) The computerized method of claim 4, further comprising:

repeating the accessing and selecting in response to subsequent user requests to provide a new channel.

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6.   (Amended) An article comprising:

a storage medium; and

the storage medium having stored thereon a plurality of instructions that, when executed by a processor, result in accessing a user-definable preferences list that identifies a plurality of identified channels from a plurality of different sources, each source providing at least one channel using a different transport medium from another source, and

selecting one of the plurality of channels for provision to a user.

7.   (Unchanged) The article of claim 6, wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed by the processor, further result in providing, to the user, one or more of audio and video from a source corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels.

8.   (Unchanged) The article of claim 6, wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed by the processor, further result in accessing, to determine a component corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels, a programming guide database that is independent of the user-definable preferences list, and sending a signal to the component to provide the selected channel.

9.   (Unchanged) The article of claim 6, wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed by the processor, further result in receiving a user request to provide a new channel, wherein the accessing and the selecting are performed in response to the user request.

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10. (Unchanged) The article of claim 9, wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed by the processor, further result in repeating the accessing and selecting in response to subsequent user requests to provide a new channel.

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11. (Amended) An apparatus comprising:

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a storage device to store a user-definable preferences list that identifies a plurality of channels from a plurality of different sources, each source providing at least one channel using a different transport medium from another source; and

a channel selection controller, coupled to the storage device, to access the user-definable preferences list and select one of the plurality of identified channels for ~~provision to a user~~.

12. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:

a component controller coupled to the channel selection controller;

wherein the channel selection control is to send the selected one of the plurality of identified channels to the component controller; and

wherein the component controller is to tune a corresponding component to provide, to the user, one or more of audio and video from a source corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels.

13. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the channel selection controller is further to:

access, to determine a component corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of channels,

a programming guide database that is independent of the user definable preferences list; and

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send a signal to the component to provide the selected channel.

14. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the channel selection controller is further to:

receive a user request to provide a new channel; and

wherein the accessing and the selecting are performed in response to the user request.

15. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the channel selection controller is further to repeat the accessing and selecting in response to subsequent user requests to provide a new channel.

SubC4 16. (Amended) An apparatus comprising:

means for storing a user-definable preferences list that identifies a plurality of channels from a plurality of different sources, each source providing at least one channel using a different transport medium from another source; and

means, coupled to the storage device, for accessing the user-definable preferences list and selecting one of the plurality of identified channels for provision to a user.

17. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising:

means, coupled to the means for accessing and selecting, for controlling components in an entertainment system; and

wherein the means for accessing and selecting is for sending the selected one of the plurality of identified channels to the means for controlling, and wherein the means for controlling is for tuning a corresponding component of the entertainment system to provide, to the user, one or more of audio and video from a source corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels.

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18. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the means for accessing and selecting includes:

means for accessing, to determine a component corresponding to the selected one of the plurality of identified channels, a programming guide database that is independent of the user-definable preferences list; and

means for sending a signal to the component to provide the selected channel.

19. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the means for accessing and selecting includes:

means for receiving a user request to provide a new channel; and

wherein the accessing and the selecting are performed in response to the user request.

20. (Unchanged) The apparatus of claim 19, wherein the means for accessing and selecting includes means for repeating the accessing and selecting in response to subsequent user requests to provide a new channel.

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